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SUBJECT: FINAL REMEDY DECISION AND RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENT

ON CLASS 3 PERMIT MODIFICATION FOR CORRECTIVE MEASURES FOR THE MIXED WASTE LANDFILL AT SANDIA NATIONAL LABORATORIES

Dear Interested Citizen:

On May 26, 2005, the Secretary of the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) approved a remedy and a Class 3 permit modification request for corrective measures for the Mixed Waste Landfill (MWL) at Sandia National Laboratories (SNL). SNL is owned by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), is co-operated by the DOE and Sandia Corporation, and is located on Kirtland Air Force Base, south of Albuquerque in Bernalillo County, New Mexico and is at the following addresses: SNL, 1515 Eubank SE, Albuquerque, New Mexico, 87123; and NNSA/DOE, Sandia Site Office, KAFB-East, Pennsylvania & H Street, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87116. The Permittees' primary contact for this action is: Mr. John Gould, NNSA/Sandia Site Office, DOE, P.O. Box 5400, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87185.

A public hearing was conducted on this matter on December 2-3 and 8-9, 2004; a public comment period was held from August 11, 2004 to December 2, 2004, and extended until December 9, 2004. Based on the administrative record and the Hearing Officer's Report, and the Secretary of NMED selected a vegetative soil cover with bio-intrusion barrier (Corrective Measures Study Alternative III.c) as the remedy for the MWL. The draft permit modification issued by NMED in the matter prior to the hearing was revised by the NMED in accordance with the Secretary's final decision. In accordance with Section 20.4.1.901.A(9) NMAC, NMED's responses to public comment are available to the public at the NMED web page www.nmenv.state.nm.us/hwb/snlperm.html under Mixed Waste Landfill. The response includes explanations for changes made to the draft permit in preparing the final permit.

Sincerely,

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